THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO

WRIT PETITION NO.12271 OF 1999

DATED:11.8.2005

Between:

M.Gopal Raju, S/o.Venkat Raju

Balupalli, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District and others

…Petitioner

And

The State Selviculturist,

Bio-Tech Research Centre, Forest Dept.,

Akkarampalli, Tirupathi, Chittoor District

And another

…Respondents

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ORDER:

The petitioners are residents of Balupalli Village, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District. They claimed to be agriculturists owning lands in the said village. So as to reach their agricultural lands they used to go by a road situated in Bio-Technology Research Centre, which is in reserved forest. When first respondent made attempts to close the road, petitioners filed a writ petition being W.P.No.29597 of 1997. This Court disposed of the matter on 21.11.1997 directing them to approach the District Collector. Accordingly, they approached the District Collector. The District Collector, who is second respondent herein, called for report from Mandal Revenue Officer,

Renigunta and having noticed that petitioners are using the reserve forest land to go to their patta lands and there is no other alternative land, he requested first respondent not to close the existing road in the reserve forest. But, still petitioners approached this Court seeking a direction to first respondent not to close the road.

By reason of the letter of second respondent addressed to first respondent the grievance of the petitioners is sufficiently redressed. Curiously, again this Writ Petition is filed presumably on apprehension that first respondent might ignore the request made by second respondent not to close the road. This Court has no manner of doubt first respondent would ignore the request made by second respondent.

The Writ Petition with the above observations is accordingly disposed of. No costs.

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(V.V.S.RAO, J)

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